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THE VIEW BY L. S. McGILL (Manager, Omineca Branch, British Columbia Chamber of Mines)

With the opening up of spring in the Omineca Mining division a new year is being commenced which bids fair to see a great deal of active development despite the handicaps under which the mining industry generally is labor- Narrows outward-bound carrying ing at the present time. The outstanding feature in the dis- passengers, many of whom were trict is probably the undiminished confidence of all who bound for Taku. are now in the district in the future of the industry. While outside capital has not been coming in during recent senger will make a mooring 5000

those who have properties in the ---district and who could find any Snowshoe Group, Hudson way of carrying on work, have been doing so in the winter months.

Of the larger operations, Duthie mine has now been closed to production on account of low metal prices, for nearly two months. It is expected locally that development will be continued throughout the summer in spite of general financial conditions for work done in the fall and winter of 1929-30 showed up extremely well not only on the 600-foot level, the lowest in the mine, but on the continuations of the main veins on the adjoining Humming Bird property. To reach the latter at depth the McPherson tunnel, one of the higher levels of the mine, was being continued for season. The region is most promisanother 2500 feet into the mountain when the shut-down took

Cronin mine is carrying on development in a small way and machinery and supplies were recently taken in with a view to continued development.

Topley Richfield Mining Comcany Limited closed down work on the Three Star Group in March, although the last work done showed a large body of copper ore at a depth of some 50 feet underground. This company is not now working on any property in the district.

Owen Lake

Owen Lake Mining & Developnent Co. Ltd., with Frank H. Taylor gain in control, has continued working steadily on development after Noah Timmins stopped putling up further finances. Fifteen men are now employed and both tunnel work and diamond drilling are being pushed ahead energeti-

Other work is being carried on by Frank H. Taylor and others on properties near the Owen Lake Mining & Development Co. Ltd.'s

Alex S. Millar has worked all winter on his Cascade Group near lumbia, is exclusively engaged in Smithers and reports good results from this recent development.

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Now the lumber ship will drop anchor in the Yellow Sea; the pasmonths to the same extent as at some previous times, miles distant towards the rising sun Bay of Northern British Columbia; and Mountain, by Harry C. Wade and both will be at Taku.

Taku, scene of the latest mining excitement in the north, is at the silver-copper prospect only one mile head of Taku Inlet which cuts from Smithers, by Alex. Zobnic, and across the Alaska Panhandle away by Donald C. Simpson on his Hudnorth of Prince Rupert. Through Taku Inlet, the gold seekers are go-The new discovery of bismuth on ing this spring in numbers which the Glacier Gulch Group was opsuggest the boom of '98. ened up further by the owners (S.

Taku, on the Asiatic side of the ** F. Campbell, Grover E. Loveless and Pacific, is one of the large ports for W. Banta) during the winter until receiving British Columbia lumber stopped by weather conditions. The on the other side. Peiping is inland ** work showed up well and will be and at Taku Bar ships of all nations | ** resumed in a short time with the load and unload.

Rapid development of industries 3 nd shipping around the North Pa- ** cific creates new jobs for geography takers. Something should be done bout Taku right away or some honest prospector who thinks he is taking a ship to the rich northern W. S. ("Duke") Harris has a crew diggings will awaken to find him- 33 self on the road to ancient Cathay. Copper Mines at Hazelton and has -Vancouver Province. finances ararnged for to go right

ed with great interest by the many who knew the property when it Cheap Cows Peace River higher prices for copper during the

Edmonton Paper Urges Alberta to on the Silver Cup Mine at Hazelton Emulate British Columbia by Selling on Terms

ing & Milling Co. Ltd. took over the The Government of British Columbia proposes to sell cows on easy terms to settlers in the section of the Peace River territory 13 lying within the province, says the Edmonton Bulletin editorially. It is unfortunate that the legislature of Alberta at the recent session did not revive the "cow bill" in some amended form, which would have ** empowered the Provincial Government to assist farmers in all parts \$ of the province in that way. A ** time when farmers generally are A Japanese colony on one of the turning their attention toward small islands in the Queen Charmixed farming, is a time when aslotte group, Northern British Cosistance of that kind would be an investment from which large divharvesting false whiskers from the idends would be drawn in the fufloor of the Pacific Ocean. Grass beds covering an immense area are ture.

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when filled with damp earth, and sill without shading the lower por- | ready to plant. bore a few holes in the bottom to tion of the window. Of course this provide drainage. Generally speak- with chains or stout wires fastened hundred pounds when filled with rotted manure and on top of this and Liard River field. soil and plants. An inch cleat fas- two or three inches of fine, rich tened strongly along the upper garden soil. The manure and the

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